

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2874 - SB 2705

April 8, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the administrator of elections of each county to ensure that no election system or software function utilizes weighted voting for the tabulation or calculation of votes. Requires the administrator of elections to implement a system for the review of software coding and firmware used in election systems and to support software functions every two years. Requires the review be completed no later than October 1 in odd-numbered years beginning in 2021. Requires a county administrator of elections to make any election-related information available to that county's election commissioners at any time during regular business hours. Effective January 1, 2021, requires the Tennessee State Election Commission (Commission) to promulgate rules that require standard operation procedures for poll workers on election days and ensuring a secure chain of custody for ballot and voter records.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- As far as all research indicates, current practices for Tennessee elections do not utilize weighted voting for tabulation or calculation of votes.
- The Commission can promulgate rules for standard election day procedures within existing resources.
- The proposed legislation does not significantly impact the policies or procedures of county administrators of elections, county election commissions, the Coordinator of Elections, or the Commission.
- No significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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